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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1919.

Birth.

At the Residency, Kuching, on 12th April to the Hon'ble. A. B. and Mrs. WARD a son.

NOTES.

(April.)

A Reuter telegram from London, dated March 18, states that the Rajah of Sarawak has arrived in England.

TAPPING on Dahan Estate has been resumed and the out-put for March amounted to 7,800 lbs.

S. S. *Gladys* arrived from Baram on April 3rd with passengers the Rev. W. Linton and the Rev. Fathers Jansen and Oss.

WE can heartily recommend to our readers "The Spotted Panther", one of the new books on the Library list, if they care to learn more of unknown Borneo. No more delightful writer has appeared since the earlier imitators of "Multatuli" or possibly Alan St. Aubyn.

WE are asked to make public the following notice from the General Manager of the Government Wireless Station.

The use of Romanized Malay is now permitted in telegrams between places within the Malayan Telegraph System. Addressees are requested to enter the time of delivery on telegraph receipt forms in the space provided. The Cable Company advise that pressure of traffic and breakdowns on cables make it necessary to forward by post from Marseilles telegrams addressed to the United Kingdom and beyond. Such telegrams suffer a delay of at least nine or ten days.

S. S. *Gladys* sailed for Sibu on April 6th with passengers Mr. and Mrs. Parry Davis and the Rev. Fathers Oss and Odyke.

THE Superintendent of Land and Surveys asks us to draw attention to the fact that quit rent should be paid by March 31st. After that date all payments on that account are surcharged. Persons who have not yet paid are requested to do so without delay.

M. Jules Védrines, winner of the Gordon-Bennett Cup and one of the best known French "aces" shortly proposes to make a voyage round the world by air.

His suggested route in the East is by Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Bali and so to Australia. No doubt had facilities existed he would have made a call on Sarawak.

P. S. *Adeh* arrived from the North on the 6th bringing Mr. A. E. Lawrence from Bintulu.

A Public Meeting will be held in the Court Room on Wednesday, 23rd at 10 a.m., to discuss arrangements for the public celebration in Kuching of the signing of Peace.

The proposed official ceremonies and Thanksgiving Service in connection with the event should last from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., after which the public are asked to combine to celebrate the occasion adequately.

IN another column we publish the complete prospectus of the new Steamship Company.

S. S. *Kuching* arrived from Singapore on the 8th with passengers Mr. and Mrs. Bean and Messrs. Ong Siow Sian and Ong Wee Hoe.

A most successful Regatta was held at Dalat on 26th April. Seven new racing boats competed; visitors came from points as far removed as Igan and Mukah. The event proved a great boon to the local shop-keepers also to the itinerant vendors of *sherbat* and coffee, one of whom cleared $65 in the course of the day.

PASSENGERS to Singapore by s.s. *Kuching* on the 11th were Messrs. Weiding, Dilly, Lau Chin Eng, Tan Ewe Chai, P. Liang Huk, T. Joon Teck, Ng Bak Choon and C. M. Lee.

DRY rubber harvested at Sungei Tengah during the month of March amounted to 62,000 lbs.

S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*, after an absence of two years, has returned to her familiar run, reaching Kuching on April 14th. Passengers were Messrs. I. Shelton and Tsing Ho Tang.

WE understand that Miss Gibson and Miss Seborn sailed from England on April 12th to undertake work in this Diocese. Miss Gibson will take charge of the junior school in S. Thomas' Kuching, and Miss Seborn will assist Miss Andrews at S. Mary's School.

Miss Olver is being transferred to Jesselton, on the arrival of Miss Cubitt, who will relieve her in Kuching.

A note consisting of two halves of Singapore notes, series $\frac{A}{23}$ 28974 and $\frac{A}{16}$ 97422, of ten dollars value has been presented at the Treasury in payment, of course by itself this note is valueless, but should the holder of the two other halves bring them to the Treasury he will be able to obtain a negociable note.

The Rajah Charles Brooke Memorial Fund.

Amount already acknowledged	...	$23,323.20
Thomas Lewis	...	100.00

The "Silver Thimble" Fund.

Previously acknowledged	...	$480.00
O. M. Peiniger	...	25.00
C. Ermen	...	15.00
Mrs. F. F. Boult	...	10.00
Proceeds from sale of trinkets	...	28.80
	Total	$558.80

This fund is now closed.

When the receipt arrives from England it will be duly published in the *Gazette*.

I should like to thank all who have kindly subscribed to this most deserving charity.

Bishop's House,
Kuching.

IRENE DANSON.

Sadong Regatta.

This event took place on the the 25th of March amidst glorious weather; perhaps there were not so many people present as in other year, but those who did come made up for their numbers by greater enthusiasm.

The Colliery wharf presented a gay sight, whilst huts were erected along the bank, on the line coal trucks were drawn up covered in gorgeous cloths which more or less concealed the fair burden they carried.

By the courtesy of Mr. Hunt the s.l. *Margaret* acted as starter's launch and greatly helped the proceedings.

Six Europeans managed to collect together and these with willing Malay and Chinese helpers managed to carry out a rather lengthy programme. Great credit is due to Mr. Ah Kim for taking up the duties of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer at very short notice.

The racing was fairly good on the whole, but another year one might suggest that there should be a limit to the number of prizes any one boat may take.

A boat from the 2nd Division came round, but failed to obtain a place, I hope this will not deter other sportsman from trying their luck another year.

Haji Medin and Tuanku Chi's *Patri Simunjan* won all her three races easily, whilst Mr. Evan's *Intan Terpilch* also accounted for three races.

In the Boys Race, limited to 15 paddlers, the *Sri Grunggang* should have won, but got into rough water and nearly swamped.

At four o'clock the whole crowd moved off *en masse* to the Colliery where Mr. Evans the Manager had arranged various sports.

The railway was taxed to its utmost limits to carry such crowds and two engines were continually running, drawing trucks wreathed with struggling humanity.

On the Colliery football ground various pastimes had been arranged and the youth of the neighbourhood could be seen trying their luck at Sumpitan shooting, quoit throwing, long jump, etc., whilst a football match of 15 minutes aside between teams representing the wharf and the Colliery was won by the latter, with a score of one goal to nil.

The juniors were also engaged in a struggle for a football cup, but I was unable to obtain the result; from their war cries and continual scrums I have no doubt that they enjoyed themselves.

A series of races were run, the life of a coal miner however does not seem to tend to fleetness of foot and no records were broken.

The Europeans race caused more delight to the onlookers than it did to the participants; a close race ensued in which the representative of Goebilt won, whilst second place was doubtful. Darkness coming on put a stop to the proceedings and once more the struggling engines puffed and snorted in their endeavours to convey the happy perspiring crowds home again.

It was luckily a beautiful night which may somewhat have consoled those unfortunate persons for whom no room could be found on the last train.

(Contributed.)

A visit to unknown Borneo.

(Continued from page 78.)

Next morning we pushed on again and climbing Tudah hill some 1,500 feet, fall abruptly to the Brayong stream, a tributary of the Trusan which we crossed, and then a muddy slippery climb brought us to a Murut house on the slope of a hill above the river. A fine view of the Temburong hills and the peaks of Mt. Pagun Prok due S. W. across the Trusan and the mountains of the Tengoa due N. W. was obtained from close by here, the former being of considerable height, one peak with its jagged edge towering high above the others.

Just as I entered the long house I noticed a very unpleasant smell, and following my nose, came on a long box covered with a valuable Brunei cloth. A long bamboo came from the bottom of the box and its lower end was in a small pit in the ground below the house which was surrounded by a low fence. The box contained a body of a woman recently deceased and according to Murut custom the corpse was allowed to remain in the box until all but the bones has found its way to the pit below the house through the bamboo, when these are removed and buried elsewhere in a jar with great ceremony. This is the occasion for a feast, a buffalo being killed and vast quantities of arrack being consumed. The joints of the box are closed with native gum and often spring a leak which is not difficult for even a Murut nose to locate. Fortunately the house was a fairly long one and we took up our abode at the far end, the smell of curried fowl soon making one forget the odoriferous box at the other end of the house. The head man provided our party with pigs, fowls and rice, as is their custom, so that it was far from a starving party that set out next day. Two of my party of Muruts fell sick here and wanted to go back, the disease, as usual, being laziness, so they were left behind.

The track now went up and down a series of hills between the Metalan and M'baung streams and just as we got to a deserted house down came a smart shower of rain and henceforth the track on to Siran's house was a vast mud pie of yellow clay thoroughly churned up by the buffaloes that had just gone on ahead of us and we spent most of our time sitting down and sliding down the slippery slopes, the Dyaks cursing the buffaloes and the unlucky shower of rain and the Muruts coughing and spitting and stumbling along grumbling all the afternoon, so that it was a relief to come out at last on to a large clearing and see the long house not five hundred yards away. Here Muruts came in from all round having in some mysterious way got wind of our arrival, one of them from the country for which we were bound and he said that the stories of recent murders were entirely false as far as he knew. This house was pleasant and clean and a stream ran by it a few yards away so that the bathing was good and we decided to spend a day here and dry our wet gear and clean up after the mud bath of the day before, and luckily the next day proved fine and warm. Kaya went out in the evening and came back very pleased with himself, having shot a small pig with his gaspipe. The padi crop was good here and there were thousands of cucumbers amongst the padi so we had plenty of food.

I stalked a couple of large hornbills *(Tajak)* with the rifle, but a Murut had also been following them from the other side and he let fly with his gun just when I was about to fire and the two chunks of iron with which it was loaded went half way up the tree and came down again within a few yards of where I was standing.

The country was very open and had evidently been farmed for many years as it was practically all under young jungle, only the tops of the hills carrying trees of any size; the Muruts said that at one time there was a very large population living on the land in this district and a large number of long houses, but that small-pox and cholera and other diseases had wiped the people out so that at the present day the country is almost empty only a few houses being seen here and there.

Leaving the house next morning the head man stood at the top of the steps to say good-bye and held in his hand a small piece of stick some three inches long with a couple of little cone-shaped pieces of wood strung on it and as we passed him each of us had to spit on the cones while he mumbled something to himself. This I discovered was a Murut way of wishing us good luck and a pleasant journey. The path to-day went through young jungle and sharp grass some twelve feet high, this being the farming land of the year before, and we felt the heat considerably after having been travelling through the shady jungle up till now. In the hollows the heat was intense, but a few hours walking took us into the jungle again where the air was cool and pleasant. At a turn of the track we met a troop of thirty Murut women and a few men carrying loads of rubber on their way down to the bazaar. The rubber was packed in neat rolls with a split bamboo casing in cylindrical form, the packages weighing from 5 to 10 lbs. Each woman carried from 30 to 40 lbs., but the men of course carried as little as possible the whole of the loads being put on the women and certainly they looked capable of carrying them, being strong heavy women with exceptionally thick legs, and they tramped up the steep hills at a steady pace, the men following behind spitting and coughing.

We stopped at several small houses before arriving at a bunch of three long ones perched on the very top of a hill across the Trusan river. The river here is about forty yards wide and fairly deep, and if in flood would be impassable, the Muruts therefore had built a suspension bridge. A spot was selected where the branches of two trees stretched over the water from opposite banks and giant bamboos were thrown across the intervening space, their ends being lashed to the branches, while smaller bamboos,

bound to the upper branches with *rotan*, supported the centre. The bamboos were slippery and swayed about a good deal as the supporting branches were very small and the drop from the middle of the bridge into the water was not pleasant to contemplate; however we all crossed safely. A couple of *kijang* darted across the path from the long grass on the other side and two of the party let fly four barrels at them when not more than five yards away but not a shot touched them. On arrival at the houses we found that Muruts for some distance round had heard of our approach and came in bringing presents of pigs, fowls, eggs (these latter mostly of the election variety) and rice all of which, except the eggs perhaps, were very welcome. It was this part of the country that was over-run some ten years ago by the Rajah's expedition, since when no Government Officer has been near the place, and it was the relations of the Muruts who were then wiped out who came to meet me to-day with these gifts. These three houses perched on a hill commanded a splendid view of the surrounding country, and had evidently been placed there for a reason for it would have been impossible to have approached them without being seen a great distance away by the inhabitants.

The head men Tadam Lawat, Ukap and Ngelo Gaieng came down to meet us and had a large quantity of newly made arrack ready in jars, this was made from tapioca root and was not at all unpleasant to drink and the rest of the party put away an enormous quantity after which, being tired and hot they all went off to sleep: being a fine evening I walked back half a mile to the Trusan river and enjoyed a deep water bathe; the water being very cold the swim was refreshing after the hot walk.

(To be continued.)

"A Cross-Crosslet, Fitchee, Azure."*

Brushing the dew from the fern and the heather,
Each hardy clansman goes forward at dawn,
Chieftain and children of Dougal together
Follow to-day the cross-crosslet of Lorne!

Blue are the hills of Argyll and its highlands,
Grey through the mist lies the western-most sea;
"Up!" cried the chief of a hundred grey islands,
"Follow the cross of our people, and me!"

Centuries pass; and far south of the border
Dwells a descendant of clansmen of Lorne,
One in whose heart rings the old chieftain's order—
"Up! and be true to the badge you have borne!"

In the dark Eastern jungles, in far tropic islands,
Where Dyak hunts Dyak, and man enslaves man,
Plant the cross-crosslet in those savage highlands,
Plant there the cross—the badge of the clan!"

He was the pioneer; he took his orders,
Saving Sarawak from darkness and night,
Planting the Cross where the savage marauder
Erswhile had nested with eagle and kite!

Those who came after him; building up sounder,
Surer foundations than ever could he.
Took for a sign the badge of the founder,
Made the *cross azure* the arms of the See.

Sharp-pointed Cross of the Son of the Father,
Master of all men, with banner unfurled!
Where thou art planted may swift the clans gather,
Striving to stablish His peace in this world!

ROY DAWSON.

*A pointed cross-crosslet, grasped by a mailed hand, was the famous crest of the M'Dougalls of that ilk, formerly Lords of Lorne. The arms of the See of Sarawak are adapted from it, in memory of Bishop M'Dougall.

(Scottish Chronicle.)

Bowls.

The usual monthly Bowling Handicap took place at the Sarawak Club on the 1st April and resulted as follows:—

	Average.	Score.		H'cap.		Total.
J. C. Swayne ...	... 161·3	397	+	41·4	=	438·4
D. L. Greene...	... 190·1	399	+	scr.	=	399
G. T. Bates ...	... 159	284	+	69·8	=	353·8
A. B. Ward ...	... 157·3	268	+	76·3	=	344·3
C. E. A. Ermen	... 183·4	265	+	19·4	=	284·4

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Editor is not responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

VALE LODGE,
TORQUAY.

MY DEAR SIR,

Having read in one of your *Gazettes* lately that crocodiles have become troublesome, I think that through the medium of your paper, I can put the natives of those rivers onto a way of easily disposing of those reptiles when occasion requires. Let them obtain from their neighbours three or four old and ugly cats or dogs and having killed these and having removed their insides, let them fill them up with unslaked lime (shell-lime is very good for this purpose). Having stiched them up securely let them hang them on the bushes by the side of the river about a foot above high-water mark. The crocodile, having swallowed one of these, slakes the lime internally and will die in a very few hours.

I have disposed in this way of several big man-eaters during my residence at Mukah and have never known it to fail.

Yours very truly,
W. H. RODWAY.

MONTHLY REPORTS.

SIBU.

March.

Mr. H. D. Aplin returned from the Matu and Daro districts early in the month and later visited Rejang.

On the 6th, I left for Kapit and after spending one night at Kanowit reached my destination on the following day.

Mr. G. M. Gifford reported that an Ukit, named Usop, and a Kayan, named Kasieng, are said to have killed the three Dyaks who (vide my November report), met their end while collecting jungle produce in the Putai, *pateh* Batang Rejang.

A full enquiry will be held when an Officer next visits Belaga and should it be proved that Usop and Kasieng were the perpetrators of this crime they will be brought to justice.

The hill padi is being harvested and, taken as a whole, will prove a far larger crop than that harvested in the three previous years. Unfortunately this cannot be said of the swamp padi which has been badly damaged by mice and other pests.

On the 10th I returned to Sibu.

The work in the Courts has been very slack, during the month, owing to the natives being busy harvesting and collecting illipe nuts.

The illipe crop is reported to be the heaviest for many years and it is feared that a large proportion of the crop will be left to waste as the Dyaks and the others are not in sufficient numbers to harvest the whole crop.

A serious difficulty has arisen owing to the shipping facilities being absolutely inadequate to cope with the increase in cargoes for export. The Chinese have made every effort to charter a steamer in Singapore, but without success.

All the bazaars are choked with illipe nuts and it is estimated that only about a quarter of the nuts have as yet been put on the local markets.

There has, of late, been some difficulty with regard to money. The Dyaks and Melanoes object to receive notes in payment for illipe nuts and raw sago and in consequence silver dollars are being imported in large quantities, as there is not sufficient silver or copper coinage to pay for these products.

The shortage of copper coinage in the local bazaar is proving a great hardship to small purchasers; one dollar Singapore notes change hands at a discount of 5%.

It was surmised that the Dyaks and Melanoes were hoarding large quantities of copper coinage and that there would only be a temporary shortage, but, after making various enquiries, I am led to believe that this is not the case, but that a large quantity of copper has entirely disappeared due to the melting of a considerable amount by the metal workers when copper and brass were unobtainable, during the later stages of the war.

His Highness the Tuan Muda accompanied by Mr. P. M. Adams arrived from Simanggang, by an overland route, on the 29th.

His Highness met all the principal Malay chiefs and also several of the Dyak *penghulus* who had collected with their followers at the end of the month in readiness to proceed on the expedition against the Ga'at rebels.

Mr. H. L. Owen left for Mukah on the 20th to take over from Mr. F. F. Boult, before his departure on European furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Boult arrived at Sibu on the 22nd and left for Kuching, per the p.s. *Adeh*, on the 26th.

Haji Assim has been elected Imam and Haji Majuki, Katip in place of the late Haji Anis who, of late years, did the duty of both officials.

The s.s. *Alice Lorraine* made three trips to Sibu; once with a cargo of coal for the use of the station and once to bring the contigent of the Sarawak Rangers for the expedition; on the third occasion she came to load illipe nuts.

The p.s. *Adeh* made one trip to and from Sibu with cargo and the s.s. *Gladys* also made one trip.

The s.s. *Flevo* and the s.s. *Batavier* made two trips to and from Singapore, on each occasion clearing with full cargo.

In spite of the increased shipping the bazaars are still full of cargo awaiting shipment. It is to be hoped that some means will be found to remove the oil nuts before deterioration sets in.

The trade returns for the past month show the following figures, *viz.*:—

	Imports.	Exports.
Coasting ...	$ 68,601	$ 81,289
Foreigh ...	156,104	195,409
	$224,705	$276,698
Brought forward	196,933	266,886
Total ...	$421,638	$543,629
1918 ...	$187,701	$214,629

Immigrants 54.

J. BARING-GOULD,
Resident 3rd Division.

LOWER REJANG.

February and March.

Accompanied by the Honble. the Resident, Mr. J. Baring-Gould and Mr. H. L. Owen I left for Matu on the 21st February, the Honble. the Resident and Mr. H. L. Owen returning to Sibu on the 24th, this day being the H. H. the Ranee's birthday, the offices were closed.

Not so many cases were brought before the Court as usual. Everybody was very busy working sago which still fetches a very good price.

A Government auction of cattle at Bruan will take place on the 15th April. This is a settlement of the dispute concerning the ownership of these cattle which has been up before the Court for several years.

On a petition from all the *kampongs* a road tax of 25 cents per head was levied. The roads in future will be kept up by contract. The main road to the bazaar is in a very bad state, having disappeared altogether in several places, and tenders for contracts for repairing this road have been asked for.

From Matu I went on to Daro on the 1st. The bazaar and the people here were very elated over the price of sago and business had quite woken up.

The road and bridges through the bazaar have been raised and it is quite possible to walk through now with some comfort. I hope to be able to persuade the Malays to do their road through the *kampong* after the exemption tax has been collected.

A small gaol has been sanctioned for this place. There being no gaol here it was impossible to keep any discipline over the prisoners waiting to be sent to either Matu or Rejang, formerly they always seen to have been allowed to do whatever they liked. I returned to Sibu on the 4th March and on the 12th Rejang was visited. No cases of any importance were brought before me.

The *pengerih* catches are reported to be poor. The sum of $2,000 was remitted to Sibu Treasury.

On the 16th I went over to Selalang and spent the night there, returning to Sibu on the 17th, stopping at Sarikei and Binatang on the way. All was reported well at these places. Sibu was reached on the morning of the 18th.

H. D. APLIN,
Resident 2nd Class.

OYA.

March.

A crocodile, measuring fourteen feet in length, was caught on a hook, on the 4th. It is probably the one, or one of those which have been preying on the Government cattle during the last two months.

The telephone at Oya has been giving a good deal of trouble lately, there seems to be something wrong in the connections at Oya between Mukah and Dalat. Possibly there is something wrong with the switchboard, which was a second hand instrument when installed about four years ago. I have written to the Superintendent of Telephones concerning it.

Dr. Luhn, the Medical Officer of 3rd Division, arrived from Sibu via Dalat on the 8th. He had surveyed the Cut while coming through and makes the distance six and a half miles.

Dr. Luhn stayed in this district until the 14th when he returned to Sibu.

Penghulu Takin arrived from the *ulu* Oya on the 15th, he reports the padi crop in the *ulu* Petamin good, but say it is not good on the main river.

His people brought down a large quantity of *engkabang* of which there is an enormous crop in the

ulu this year. It is bought by the Chinese in the bazaar at three *gantangs* for a dollar, but agents sent up-river by the Chinese buy it at four *gantangs* for a dollar.

There is a very large amount not brought down yet, the Dyaks being busy on their farms.

I left for Dalat on the 18th and returned again on the 28th.

There was a lot of work in both Courts, but especially in the Police Court. There were a number of disputes over sago land boundaries, and concerning the ownership of fruit trees. A Chinese *bandong* trader of Kampong Teh was fined for using a *passu* measure which had not been stamped by Government and which was nearly one and a half *gantangs* in excess measure; this *passu* was being used in receiving *lamanta* from the people, and the *Tua Kampong* seized it and prosecuted.

Trade has been very good all month and the price of sago still remains very high.

Natives and Chinese alike are working very hard and getting out as much as possible while the good price lasts; the price has never been known to be so high in this river, having reached $1.50, $1.60 and $1.70 per *passu*, the price at the end of the month was betwen $1.10 and $1.30 according to quality.

A great many people are paying off old debts, and the prison gang, usually between thirty and forty in number, has dwindled down to fourteen only.

By the end of the month the exemption tax of the district with only a few exceptions had been all paid in.

Eleven schooners including a *Wongkang* entered the river during the month, and eight cleared.

The exports for the month are as follows:—

	1918.	1919.
Raw Sago	141 coyans	245 coyans
Jelutong	30 piculs	145 piculs
Engkabang	...	69 do
Jangkar	...	4 do

There was a Regatta held at Dalat on the 26th, the first since 1911, and it was a great success. There were seven new long racing boats varying in lengths between ten and twelve and a half fathoms, none of which had raced before. The finishes were very close indeed, a different boat winning on each of the three occasions they raced.

There were seventeen events in all, and I was greatly assisted by the Rev. A. Stotter, who acted as judge for the various races.

There was a very large crowd of people present, people having come from Igan, Oya, Penat and Mukah.

HENRY H. KORTRIGHT,
Resident 2nd Class.

MUKAH.

February.

I arrived at Dalat on the 1st going on to Oya on the 3rd. I went over to Mukah on the 7th. As I was unable to bring over the money I had brought from Sibu I paid out some $5,000 to Mukah Chinese at Oya.

Owing to my enforced absence, I found an accumulation of Court work awaiting me, which was considerably above the average. Land cases were very numerous, brought about by the high price of sago.

A local notice has been sent round the district informing owners of sago lands that "persons selling sago trees must accompany the purchaser, or send some responsible person, to point out and put some distinguishing mark on the trees sold." This I hope may in some degree help to lessen the unlawful felling of sago trees. Personally I do not think these cases or boundary disputes will lessen until a surveyor is stationed in the district when lands can be properly marked out and permanent boundary posts erected. The old, and present, system of sending a policeman out with a chain to make a rough survey is most unsatisfactory, and often on the lands being surveyed a second time the measurements do not tally. The establishing of a properly organised Land Department would be of the greatest benefit to the district, the revenue accruing from which should more than cover the cost. Owners of sago gardens would I feel sure be quite ready to pay the necessary survey fees, and if necessary a small land rent.

On the 15th Jeragan Assam reported his vessel, the schooner *Kim Seng Ann*, which was bound for Kuching from Bintulu, with a mixed cargo, had foundered at 2 a. m. that morning. The crew and three Chinese passengers took to the ship's boat, which was swamped before reaching the shore. Ah Choo, a fourth Chinese passenger, and an opium smoker went down with the vessel; he at the time was lying ill in the cabin. It appears the ship left Bintulu about 3 p. m. the previous afternoon and touched the sand slightly when coming out of the mouth. It would seem that she must have shifted her planking, for when between Tatau and Balingian she was found to be leaking. The *jeragan* thought of running on the shore at Balingian, which is mud, but finally decided to try and reach Igan. By the time she was off Mukah the pump could not contend with the flow of water so that the vessel finally settled down in six fathoms, about four to five miles off Judan. She is lying on mud, with her bows pointing north. For a time both her top-masts could be seen, but now only the main top-mast is visible. Some of the deck cargo has been recovered and a few wire stays.

The harvesting reports are anything but satisfactory. Only at Judan, Jebunigan, Selangau and Tutus have padi planters had any success, all other parts of the district the farms have been destroyed by rats and insects.

The Honble. the Resident at Sibu telephoned me that he had received a complaint that Dalat traders would only accept Treasury notes at a discount. I at once sent instructions to Oya and Dalat to warn the Chinese that notes were to be received at their face value and any persons found taking them for less would be fined.

The river bank in front of the stables has fallen away a good deal this *landas*.

At Petanak Lama the river shows signs of trying to break through at the old mouth. Should this happen it will be necessary to build a new bridge.

Abas, telephone inspector from Kuching, overhauled all the instruments in the Mukah and Oya districts. Before leaving he reported them all in good order. However he had hardly gone a week when it was only with difficulty Mukah could get on from Oya to Dalat and talking with Sibu has been well nigh impossible, though from the Mukah Central communication with the local calls and Oya is uninterrupted. Now that the traffic over the Mukah—Sibu line is increasing daily, if the present system of switching on at Oya and again at Dalat is to be continued, it is important that none but the most reliable switch boxes should be used. The present ones are continually giving trouble either at Oya or Dalat.

Omar has been appointed a sub-jelutong inspector on a three months trial.

No schooners entered and two waiting to get out were detained the whole month owing to northerly winds.

F. F. BOULT,
Acting Resident.

BARAM.

March.

Court work was very light. Several Chinese were fined $15 for trading without a license. It appears that the Honble. Resident 4th Division made out an Order that no pass need be taken out if a license to trade had been obtained; the Chinese took it to mean that they could go anywhere without a pass or license.

Datu Sheriff Hamid, Native Officer, paid a visit to the Dyaks in Bakong from 3rd to 14th instant. He reported all quiet in this river all are busy harvesting, but the prospects are very bad. He obtained the names of about 50 Dyaks who had been going to Belait continually without a pass. Summonses were issued and most of the culprits have been fined $15 each.

Fines and fees amounted to $1,020.81.

S. L. *Chamois* was chartered by Chop Soon Kiat for $150 to go to Bintulu to obtain *bilian attaps*.

Sickness has been very bad in the bazaar and *kampongs*, mostly fever, and the same reports come from up-country. I made two trips to Miri for medical treatment and Datu Sheriff Hamid, Native Officer, was taken ill on the 22nd instant and was still absent from duty at the end of the month.

S. S. *Gladys* arrived being the first steamer for the year. News was received by telephone that she had left Miri on the 22nd instant, but she did not arrive until the 24th instant, sailing again on the 28th instant. She was unable to get out of the river until the night of the 31st instant.

Prisoners were engaged in levelling the bazaar site.

S. L. *Chamois* has been running almost continually to Niah to get *bilian attaps*.

Owing to the failure of the padi crop I am trying to obtain $500 worth from the Kadayans at Sibuti.

The rainfall was 4·54 inches.

Imports.	Exports.
$23,944	$45,817

C. D. ADAMS,
Resident 2nd Class.

MIRI.

February.

The 1st being Chinese New Year's Day was observed as a public holiday and all offices closed.

The Honble. the Resident returned from a visit to the coast villages on the 3rd.

Owing to the non-arrival of p. s. *Adeh* the local supply of opium ran out and caused a riot in the bazaar on the evening of the 12th, neccesitating the calling out of the police fully armed and the arrest of the ringleaders.

The following day a small quantity of opium was obtained from Baram and this, by restricted sale, just lasted until the arrival of the *Adeh* on the 17th.

Mr. J. W. Vincent arrived from England on the 14th to join the staff of the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company.

On the 16th I left for Sibuti and Niah, accompanied by Native Officer Bujang. I was away until the 26th attending to local matters, including a trade dispute between the Niah Chinese.

The greater part of the native population at these places was away on padi farms, harvesting, so I was unable to settle my outstanding cases. While at Niah I paid a visit to the bird's-nest caves, and inspected the new *bilian* causeway which is in course, of construction between the landing place and the caves.

I was informed by the chiefs of Niah and Sibuti that they fear the padi crop will be a failure this year on account of the prolonged draught we have been experiencing in this division.

The s. s. *Attaka* arrived from Balik Papan on the 9th to load tank plates and sailed again for Tarakan on the 23rd.

On the 14th the s. s. *Haliotis* arrived from Pulo Sambo and after loading 2,000 tons of crude oil, sailed for Soesoe two days later.

Court work was light throughout the month, the only cases calling for mention being those of Ah Wa, Chop Seng Bee fined for causing a fire in the bazaar. (Ng See fined for trespassing in the Residency grounds), and Mak Yow, Chan See and Chan Kang, sentenced to terms of imprisonment for theft.

Some very necessary repairs were carried out to the boat-shed and fish market, and the prison gang was employed on the up-keep of the ornamental grounds and clearing the road to the wireless station.

The weather throughout the month was extremely dry, the rainfall amounting to only 1·16 inches.

The trade returns are as follows :—

	Imports.	Exports.
Miri	$41,748	$18,038
Niah	316	515

W. F. DE V. SKRINE,
Resident 2nd Class.

BROOKETON COLLIERY.

February.

Our out-put for the month was 2,455 tons, 467½ tons were used for boiler fuel and 1,987½ tons were sent to the wharf to be sold. Our sales amounted to 1,271 tons. The coal was taken by Messrs. the Straits Steamship Co., Messrs. the Mitsubushi Trading Co., p. s. *Adeh* and the British Government launch at Labuan. There was no rainfall during the month. The Chinese labour stopped five days, celebrating their New Year.

We started to drive the No. 2 drift in the West Slant farther down, but had to stop working there during the latter part of the month, having run short of dynamite. The intention is to drive this dip down deep enough to enable us to lower the pumps in No. 1 dip, so as to ensure us getting a couple more levels in the North Drive without being troubled with much water. The two dips in the North Drive were on stop during the whole of the month, we wanted a pump to clear the little water making and having heard there was one in Kuching lying idle belonging to Government we applied for it, but apparently it could not be spared. We had several odd parts in our workshop these were fixed up, so we hope to make a start in these dips soon, in the meantime we are driving a subsidiary small dip down to induce the water to run off into the old workings and so on to our main pumps with greater ease. Everything went well in the mechanical line, we were cleaning and repairing one of our large Lancashire boilers during the month. The foundations round the boilers were giving way so we strengthened these somewhat. I should like to point out that one of our locomotives was dismantled some months ago and when dismantled was found to be in such a bad state that it could not be used again, so we are now dependent on one and that not in a very good condition. This was reported on some time ago, but evidently the report has got mislaid. We continued to repair the oil level at Buang Tawar and made good progress with the repairs during

the dry weather. The *L'Aubaine* and the two *tongkangs* are in good repair and continue to carry coal to Labuan. The *L'Aubaine's* boiler continues to give trouble, but we are getting over the matter. We did sundry repairs to our wharves both at Brooketon and Labuan. The agency affairs are going on quite smoothly. The health of the coolies are good with a good supply of labour on hand. No accident occurred during the month.

THOS. LEWIS,
General Manager.

LIMBANG.

January.

New Year's Day was observed as a public holiday.

Mr. W. F. de V. Skrine left here by boat for Brooketon on the 2nd.

The p. s. *Adeh* arrived here from Kuching on the 8th, sailing the following day with passenger Mr. G. M. Allman.

A herd of about twenty wild pigs seen swimming across the river in the direction of the bazaar caused some excitement during the evening. Twelve of them were accounted for, some being speared in the water, some on the lawn in front of the Court house and some actually in the bazaar itself.

The p. s. *Adeh* arrived again on the 19th with passengers Mr. and Mrs. Kortright and family and Messrs. Allman and Haldane. She sailed again for Kuching, via Lawas, the following day, Mr. Allman returning by her to Lawas and Mr. Haldane to Kuching.

On the 24th accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Kortright I left for Brooketon and was absent at the end of the month.

Tapping the Government rubber trees, which was stopped in April last year as it was considered not worth while owing to the low price obtainable, was restarted at the beginning of the month.

There were no important cases in Court. Fines and fees amounted to $133.76.

P. W. D.—The coolies were employed on the Lempaung road and Three Mile round and cleaning out and repairing the reservoir.

The prisoners were employed weeding the paths and ditches round the station and clearing the Government rubber plantation.

The channel marks at the mouth of the river have been replaced.

Trade.—The following are the trade returns:—

		Imports.	Exports.
Coasting	...	$10,543	$11,040
Foreign	...	1,284	1,935

It was an exceptionally dry month for the time of year the rainfall being only 3·45 inches.

February.

A salute of seven guns was fired from the fort on the morning of the 1st in honour of the Chinese New Year and the day observed as a public holiday.

The body of a Chinaman, by name Ah Seng, was found at Lempaung on the 5th, as deceased had been ill for some time and no marks of violence were to be found on his body there are no reasons to suspect foul play.

The p.s. *Adeh* made one trip only during the month, arriving from Kuching on the 18th and leaving the following day. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kortright and family, who embarked at Brooketon, were passengers on the return trip.

I returned from Brooketon on the m. l. *Damit* on the 21st. The 24th being the anniversary of Her Highness the Ranee's birthday was observed as a Government holiday.

The s.l. *Peter Duff* came in from Batu Apoi during the day. Messrs. Watson and Listerman of the Batu Apoi Rubber Estate, who were on board came up and called. They left for Brunei during the afternoon.

I left here on the morning of the 27th in the m.l. *Damit* for Brooketon *en route* for Lawas accompanied by Datu Haji Halil who has been appointed Officer-in-Charge of the Lawas and Trusan districts.

The m. l. *Damit* collided with something just below Menunggul and bent her shaft and was unable to proceed. After a delay of a few hours boats were procured in which to continue our journey and we arrived at Brooketon that evening.

Mr. Lewis kindly sent us on to Lawas the following day in the s. s. *L'Aubaine*.

On the 27th a small Brunei Malay boy, age about five years, fell into the river in front of the bazaar and was drowned. His body was recovered the same morning.

I regret to report the death of Abang Akup, the Sarawak Government tax collector in the Pandaruan.

Court.—Usman was sentenced to hard labour in default of payment of a fine of $100 for attempted theft of buffaloes.

Privates Kedu and Linggai, S. R. were punished for seducing two Kadayan girls from Kampong Tuna.

Fines and fees amounted to $51.50.

P. W. D.—The coolies were employed on the Three Mile round, the Lempaung road, the Government rubber plantation and repairing the reservoir. The prisoners were on the Government rubber plantation and ornamental grounds.

The following are the trade returns for the month:—

		Imports.	Exports.
Coasting	..	$4,502	$8,253
Foreign	...	2,530	3,759

I am sorry to say that owing to lack of rain, (the rainfall for the month was only 5·04 inches), most of the hill padi has been dried up and withered away.

H. S. B. JOHNSON,
Resident 5th Division.

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J. C. SWAYNE,
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TAN SUM GUAN,
Secretary.

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Kuching, Foreign Trade Returns for the month of Feb., 1919.

IMPORTS.

Articles.	Quantity.	Value.
Aërated Water	cases 219	$ 3,050
Ammunition		13
Arrack, etc.		2,150
Biscuits		1,801
Blachan	piculs 35⅔	489
Brass & Copper-ware		147
Boots & Shoes		124
Butter and Cheese		564
Candles		592
Canvas		560
Cement	casks 75	765
Clocks and Watches		110
Cloth		
Cotton		58,817
Clothing		
Cotton		28,101
Coffee		
Liberian, etc.	piculs 10 1/16	321
In tins		90
Coprah	piculs 144	1,264
Cotton Seed		106
Crockery and Glass-ware		2,629
Curry stuffs and sauce, etc.		3,433
Damar		317
Drugs and Chemicals		
Cyanide, etc.	cases 80	8,245
For Mfg. purposes		1,482
Drugs		2,408
Exports Returned to Shippers		407
Fire-arms		30
Fire-works		658
Fish		
Dried	piculs 436½	8,265
Salted	piculs 166 1/16	2,589
In tins		139
Flour	bags 1,059	5,321
Fruit		
Fresh		735
Dried		329
In tins		173
Furniture		59
Ghee	piculs 3	277
Gold Leaf	ozs. 20	880
Grains		
Beans and peas	piculs 209⅔	2,992
Padi	piculs 20	130
Rice	piculs 9,879 3/16	86,158
Other sorts	piculs 2,997½	7,336
Gunnies new	bales 34	6,990
Do. old	bundles 2	65
Hams and Bacons		241
Hats		180
Iron-ware		5,863
Japanese Curios		1,295
Jars	No. 3	20
Joss sticks and Papers		2,440
Lard	piculs 55⅛	2,238
Lamps		156
Leather	piculs 3	383
Live stock		
Cattle	head 18	366
Machinery		4,951
Mats		2,577
Matches	cases 54	3,408
Macaroni and vermicelli		517
Milk, condensed	cases 124	2,319
Oils, etc.		
Vegetable	piculs 34⅔	1,095
Lubricating	piculs 37⅔	1,382
Kerosine	cases 3,316	21,123
Methylated Spirit	gallons 268	477
Opium raw	chests 50	115,000
Paint, Varnish and Tar		914
Papers		2,722
Provisions sundry		1,882
Prawns	piculs 20	572
Do. Refuse	piculs 269⅓	1,150
Rope		
Coir	coils 34	1,135
Manila	coils 3	135
Wire	coils 8	443
Sago Pearl or Raw	piculs 2 1/16	34
Salt	piculs 1,311	3,946
Soap		3,035
Carry forward		$417,612

IMPORTS.—(*Continued.*)

Articles.	Quantity.	Value.
Brought forward		$417,612
Stationery and Books		1,018
Sugar	piculs 874⅔	11,930
Sundries		12,699
Tea in bundles	boxes 129	2,317
Timber		1,069
Twine and Thread		5,799
Tobacco		
In tins Cigars & Cigarettes		31,657
Chinese	cases 92	5,061
P'bang, Java & S'robok, etc.	piculs 153 3/16	18,857
Treasure		50,000
Trepang	picul ¼	20
Vegetables		
Fresh		3,302
Salted		2,414
In tins		155
Wines and Spirits		4,492
Zinc		4,613
TOTAL VALUE		$572,955
Brought forward		385,102
Total Value to Date		$958,057
1918		$744,225

EXPORTS.

Articles.	Quantity.	Value.
Bees-wax	piculs 15⅔	$ 779
Birds'-nests	piculs 15⅔	4,717
Blachan	piculs 2 1/16	32
Brass-ware		960
Charcoal	piculs 446½	491
Cloth		40
Coprah	piculs 19½	200
Crockery-ware		180
Damar	piculs 2,243½	3,235
Dynamite	cases 9	578
Empties		2,059
Fish	piculs 12 7/16	600
Gambier	piculs 61 7/16	404
Gold	ozs. 5,916.9	154,930
Gunnies old	bundles 14	130
Gutta and Rubber		
India Rubber	piculs 3 3/16	127
Jangkar	piculs 48 3/16	697
Jelutong	piculs 3,868 1/16	40,044
Do. Refind	piculs 1,430 1/16	30,510
Kajuri	piculs 9⅛	606
Percha	piculs 75¼	16,668
Plantation	piculs 1,683¾	152,294
Leaves	piculs 64	189
Leaf Gutta	piculs 57 7/16	11,740
Sink Reboil	piculs 275½	6,246
Hides & Skins	piculs 38½	1,923
Imports Returned to Shippers		1,194
Iron-ware		1,674
Jar	No. 1	350
Kerosine Oil	cases 5	35
Live stock		
Swine	head 4	44
Mats		73
Machinery		400
Oils	piculs 3½	94
Opium		1,170
Pepper (white)	piculs 215½	10,660
Do. (black)	piculs 1,072½	35,892
Prawns (dried)	picul ⅛	4
Rattans No. 2 timoi, etc.	piculs 464⅛	1,254
Rice	piculs 12½	19
Sago flour	piculs 15,059	126,784
Sugar	piculs 6	90
Sugar nipa	piculs 108½	673
Sundries		1,060
Timber (manufactured)		2
Tobacco		
In tins Cigars & Cigarettes		556
Chinese	case 1	40
P'bang, Java & S'robok, etc.	picul ⅛	90
Treasure		12,300
Tuba Roots	piculs 301¼	3,842
Vegetable tallow seed	piculs 369½	4,064
Wines and Spirits		30
Zinc		49
TOTAL VALUE		$ 626,660
Brought forward		726,996
Total Value to Date		$1,353,656
1918		$ 721,035

Kuching, Coasting Trade Returns for the month of Feb., 1919.

IMPORTS.

Articles.			Quantity.		Value.
Cattle	...	...	head	26	$ 836
Coal	...	...	tons	686½	7,552
Damar	...	...	piculs	2,692	5,422
Gutta jangkar	...	...	piculs	65¾	948
Do. jelutong	...	...	piculs	6,052¼	45,511
Do. percha	...	...	piculs	71¼	7,744
India-rubber	...	...	piculs	⅜	11
Plantation Rubber	...	...	piculs	241	12,728
Prawn refuse	...	...	piculs	45¼	160
Pepper (white)	...	...	piculs	392⅛	18,933
Do. (black)	...	...	piculs	118⅝	3,580
Rattans No. 1, sega, etc.		...	piculs	32	214
Do. No. 2, temoi, etc.		...	piculs	4	8
Rice	...	...	piculs	5⅗	54
Sago flour	...	...	piculs	681	4,370
,, raw	...	...	t'pins	28,444	40,635
Sundries	...	...			16,538
Treasure	...	...			8,816
Vegetable seeds	...	...	piculs	464⅘	3,832
TOTAL VALUE		...		...	$177,842
Brought forward		...		...	166,785
Total Value to Date		...		...	$344,577
1918	...	...		...	$161,471

EXPORTS.

Articles.			Quantity.		Value.
Brass-ware	...	...		...	$ 547
Iron-ware	...	...		...	1,492
Jars	...	...	No.	174	532
Oil kerosine	...	...	cases	1,156½	8,142
Opium	...	...		...	41,305
Rice	...	...	piculs	2,181½	19,097
Sundries	...	...			102,255
Treasure	...	...			34,382
TOTAL VALUE		...		...	$207,752
Brought forward		...		...	189,734
Total Value to Date		...		...	$397,486
1918	...	...		...	$211,910

F. G. DAY,
Registrar of Trade.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

PER S. S. *Gladys*:—3rd April—From Baram—Revd. Fr. Jansen and Revd. Fr. Oss—From Miri—Revd. W. Linton.

PER P. S. *Adeh*:—6th April—From the North—Mr. A. E. Lawrence from Bintulu.

PER S. S. *Kuching*:—8th April—From Singapore—Mr. and Mrs. J. S. W. Bean, Messrs. Ong Siow Sian and Ong Wee Hoe and 1 Chinese Lady.

PER S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*:—14th April—From Singapore—Messrs. Tsing Ho Tang and I. Shelton.

DEPARTURES.

PER S. S. *Gladys*:—6th April—For Sibu—Mr. and Mrs. P. Davis, Revd. Fr. Oss and Revd. Fr. Odyke.

PER S. S. *Kuching*:—11th April—For Singapore—Messrs. Weiding, Dilly, Lau Chin Eng, Tan Ewe Chai, P. Liang Huk, T. Joon Teck, Ng Bak Choon and C. M. Lee.

"A clean tooth never decays."

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THE "SARAWAK GAZETTE" ALMNAC.

APRIL, 1919.

English. Days of Week.	English. Days of Month.	Chinese. Moons. Dates.	Mo'dan. Months. Dates.	Moon's Phases, Etc. 1st New moon ● 7th First quarter ☽ 15th Full moon ○ 23rd Last quarter ☾ 30th New moon ●	High water at Kuching. A. M. h. m.	P. M. h. m.
Tu	1	3 1	29		5 6	5 32
W	2	2	Rajab. 1		5 48	6 9
Th	3	3	2		6 30	6 55
F	4	4	3		7 11	7 44
S	5	5	4		7 55	8 30
S	6	6	5	5th SUNDAY IN LENT.	8 41	9 19
M	7	7	6		9 36	10 7
Tu	8	8	7		10 45	11 10
W	9	9	8		0 7	0 36
Th	10	10	9		1 33	2 2
F	11	11	10		2 44	3 7
S	12	12	11		3 20	3 40
S	13	13	12	PALM SUNDAY.	3 56	4 25
M	14	14	13		4 36	5 0
Tu	15	15	14		5 9	5 34
W	16	16	15		5 43	6 6
Th	17	17	16		6 14	6 36
F	18	18	17	Good Friday. 1845, Sir Jas. Brooke sends Envoys to Mulana of Kalaka.	6 44	7 7
S	19	19	18		7 12	7 39
S	20	20	19	EASTER SUNDAY.	7 43	8 13
M	21	21	20	Easter Monday. Envoys sent to Sarikei 1865.	8 18	8 46
Tu	22	22	21		9 7	9 23
W	23	23	22	*St. George.*	9 59	10 14
Th	24	24	23		10 59	11 23
F	25	25	24	Envoys to Lingga, 1845.	0 14	0 46
S	26	26	25		1 35	2 2
S	27	27	26	LOW SUN.—1ST SUN. AFTER EASTER.	2 42	3 2
M	28	28	27		3 20	3 36
Tu	29	29	28	Sir James Brooke born, 1803.	3 55	4 25
W	30	4 1	29	Sir Jas. Brooke in H.M.S. Plantagenet visits Sarikei 1865.	4 38	5 8

KUCHING SHIPPING.

Arrivals.

Mar.	Vessel's Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Captains or Nakhodas.	From.
3	*Kim Seng Guan*	Sar. sch.	73	Bakar	Oya
3	*Sri Mas Igan*	,, ,,	68	Issa	Sadong
4	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	Sibu
5	*Kim Po Heng*	,, sch.	50	Daud	Mukah
5	*Sri Selalang*	,, str.	43	Drahman	Rejang
6	*Sri Marion*	,, sch.	80	Jahar	Sadong
6	*Gladys*	,, str.	173	Jeman	Sibu
6	*Tek Kie*	Dutch ,,	3	Abang Bol	Pamangkat
6	*Kuching*	Sar. ,,	903	Barton	Singapore
8	*Lucile*	,, ,,	26	Dris	Lingga
9	*Adeh*	,, ,,	189	Awg. Rais	Limbang
11	*Sin Sian Ann*	,, sch.	50	Gani	Matu
11	*Sri Chindrawasih*	,, ,,	71	Johari	Sadong
11	*Sri Mas Igan*	,, ,,	68	Issa	,,
12	*Kim Soon Lee*	,, ,,	67	Taha	Daro
12	*Sri Muka*	,, ,,	111	Bakri	Sadong
13	*Sri Selalang*	,, str.	43	Drahman	Rejang
15	*Kim Chin Soon*	,, sch.	59	Saban	Mukah
15	*Kim Hock Ann*	,, ,,	70	Jili	,,
15	*Kim Chin Siok*	,, ,,	60	Hj. Hassim	,,
17	*Sri Marion*	,, ,,	80	Jahar	Sadong
17	*Kim Moh*	,, ,,	66	Abon	Oya
17	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	Sibu
17	*Kuching*	,, ,,	903	Barton	Singapore
17	*Gladys*	,, ,,	173	Jeman	,,
18	*Adeh*	,, ,,	189	Awg. Rais	Bintulu
20	*Sri Selalang*	,, ,,	43	Drahman	Rejang
21	*Sri Mas Igan*	,, sch.	68	Issa	Sadong
21	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	,,
22	*Sri Chindrawasih*	,, sch.	71	Johari	,,
22	*Kim Ghee Ann*	,, ,,	50	Hj. Amet	Matu
22	*Lucile*	,, str.	26	Dris	Lingga
24	*Kim Po Heng*	,, sch.	50	Daud	Mukah
24	*Nor Mas Jaya*	,, ,,	65	Hj. Zenee	Oya
25	*Majinis*	,, ,,	74	Hj. Dul	Matu
25	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	Sadong
25	*Kim Seng Guan*	,, sch.	73	Bakar	Oya
26	*Adeh*	,, str.	189	Awg. Rais	Sibu
27	*Sri Selalang*	,, ,,	43	Drahman	Rejang
28	*Kim Watt Ann*	,, sch.	67	Hussin	Balingian
28	*Kim Chin Siang*	,, ,,	54	Hj. Assim	Bintulu
28	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	Sadong
28	*Kuching*	,, ,,	903	Barton	Singapore
28	*Sri Muka*	,, sch.	111	Bakri	Sadong
29	*Sri Marion*	,, ,,	80	Jahar	,,
31	*Kim Soon Lee*	,, ,,	67	Taha	Mukah
31	*Sri Mas Igan*	,, ,,	68	Issa	Sadong
31	*Dayang Duriah*	,, str.	3	Munsam	Lundu

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1	*Gladys*	Sar. str.	173	Jeman	Sibu
3	*Sri Chindrawasih*	,, sch.	71	Johari	Sadong
5	*Kim Watt Ann*	,, ,,	67	Hussin	Balingian
5	*Kim Gee Ann*	,, ,,	50	Hj. Amet	Matu
5	*Majinis*	,, ,,	74	Hj. Dul	,,
6	*Sri Mas Igan*	,, ,,	68	Issa	Sadong
7	*Lucile*	,, str.	26	Dris	Lingga
7	*Kim Seng Guan*	,, sch.	73	Bakar	Oya
7	*Sri Selalang*	,, str.	43	Drahman	Rejang
8	*Sri Marion*	,, sch.	80	Jahar	Sadong
8	*Gladys*	,, str.	173	Jeman	,,
10	*Kuching*	,, ,,	903	Barton	Singapore
10	*Kim Po Heng*	,, sch.	50	Daud	Mukah
11	*C. Mas de Goebilt*	,, ,,	51	Hj. Jol	Oya
12	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	Sibu
12	*Adeh*	,, ,,	189	Awg. Rais	Bintulu
14	*Sri Selalang*	,, ,,	43	Drahman	Rejang
17	*Sri Chindrawasih*	,, sch.	71	Johari	Sadong
17	*Ghee Hong Ann*	,, ,,	60	Daut	Daro
17	*Sri Mas Igan*	,, ,,	68	Issa	Sadong
18	*Kim Soon Lee*	,, ,,	67	Taha	Mukah
18	*Lucile*	,, str.	26	Dris	Lingga
19	*Dayang Duriah*	,, ,,	3	Munsam	Lundu
19	*Sin Sian Ann*	,, sch.	50	Gani	Mukah
19	*Sri Muka*	,, ,,	111	Bakri	Sadong
20	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	,,
20	*Kim Moh*	,, sch.	66	Abon	Balingian
20	*Gladys*	,, str.	173	Jeman	Baram
20	*Kuching*	,, ,,	903	Barton	Singapore
20	*Kim Hock Ann*	,, sch.	70	Jili	Mukah
21	*Kim Chin Soon*	,, ,,	59	Saban	,,
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22	*Kim Chin Siok*	,, ,,	60	Hj. Hassim	Balingian
22	*Sri Selalang*	,, str.	43	Drahman	Rejang
22	*Alice Lorraine*	,, ,,	140	Jara-ee	Sadong
24	*Kim Po Heng*	,, sch.	50	Daud	Mukah
26	*Sri Mas Igan*	,, ,,	68	Issa	Sadong
26	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	,,
27	*Kim Gee Ann*	,, sch.	50	Hj. Amet	Matu
28	*Majinis*	,, ,,	74	Hj. Dul	,,
28	*Sri Selalang*	,, str.	43	Drahman	Rejang
29	*Adeh*	,, ,,	189	Awg. Rais	Limbang
29	*Sri Chindrawasih*	,, sch.	71	Johari	Sadong
29	*M. N. Sri Jimpaka*	,, ,,	73	Tkn Hassan	Matu
29	*Chin Lee*	,, str.	15	Bujang	Sibu
29	*Kim Seng Guan*	,, sch.	73	Bakar	Oya
29	*Alice Lorraine*	,, str.	140	Jara-ee	Sibu
31	*Kuching*	,, ,,	903	Barton	Singapore
31	*Nor Mas Jaya*	,, sch.	65	Hj. Zenee	Sadong

MIRI SHIPPING.

Arrivals.

Date.	Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Tons.	Captain or Nakhoda.	From.
Mar. 1	M. T. *Miri*	Brit.	32	Ali bin Awang	Bintulu
,, 1	Lighter *Maggie*	do	71	Naimamsah	do
,, 3	M. T. *Miri*	do	32	Ali bin Awang	Tutong
,, 3	P. S. *Adeh*	S'wak	189	Awang Rais	Kuching
,, 5	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	do	892	A. E. McDonnell	Labuan
,, 5	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Baram
,, 7	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Niah
,, 7	P. S. *Adeh*	do	189	Awang Rais	Limbang
,, 9	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Sibuti
,, 10	M. T. *Sylph*	do	21	Daud	do
,, 10	S. S. *Selangor*	Brit.	445	J. A. Campbell	Labuan
,, 11	S. S. *Poh Ann*	do	486	F. P. Morris	Singapore
,, 15	M. T. *Sylph*	S'wak	21	Daud	Bintulu
,, 16	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	do
,, 17	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	do	492	A. E. McDonnell	Singapore
,, 17	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Baram
,, 22	S. S. *Gladys*	do	173	Jeman	Kuching
,, 22	M. T. *Sylph*	do	21	Daud	Bintulu
,, 23	S. S. *Poh Ann*	Brit.	485	F. P. Morris	Labuan
,, 23	S. L. *Chamois*	S'wak	32	Ali	Niah
,, 24	S. S. *Selangor*	Brit.	445	J. A. Campbell	Singapore
,, 27	S. L. *Chamois*	S'wak	32	Ali	Baram
,, 30	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	do	892	A. E. McDonnell	Labuan
,, 31	P. S. *Adeh*	do	189	Awang Rais	Kuching

Departures.

Date.	Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Tons.	Captain or Nakhoda.	For.
Mar. 2	M. T. *Miri*	Brit.	32	Ali bin Awang	Tutong
,, 4	P. S. *Adeh*	S'wak	189	Awang Rais	Limbang
,, 5	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	do	892	A. E. McDonnell	Singapore
,, 5	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Niah
,, 7	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Sibuti
,, 7	P. S. *Adeh*	do	189	Awang Rais	Kuching
,, 7	M. T. *Sylph*	do	21	Daud	Sibuti
,, 10	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Baram
,, 10	S. S. *Selangor*	Brit.	445	J. A. Campbell	Singapore
,, 11	S. S. *Poh Ann*	do	486	F. P. Morris	Labuan
,, 11	M. T. *Sylph*	S'wak	21	Daud	Bintulu
,, 16	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Baram
,, 17	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	do	892	A. E. McDonnell	Labuan
,, 17	M. T. *Sylph*	do	21	Daud	Bintulu
,, 19	S. L. *Chamois*	do	32	Ali	Niah
,, 22	S. S. *Gladys*	do	173	Jeman	Baram
,, 23	S. S. *Poh Ann*	Brit.	485	F. P. Morris	Singapore
,, 24	S. L. *Chamois*	S'wak	32	Ali	Baram
,, 24	S. S. *Selangor*	Brit.	445	J. A. Campbell	Labuan
,, 28	S. L. *Chamois*	S'wak	32	Ali	Niah
,, 30	S. S. *Rajah of Sarawak*	do	892	A. E. McDonnell	Singapore
,, 31	P. S. *Adeh*	do	189	Awang Rais	Limbang

METEOROLOGICAL RETURNS.

General Hospital.

Kuching, March, 1919.

Date.	Baro. Meter.	Thermometer in Shade.						Solar Temperature.	Hours of Sunshine.	Museum Rainfall.
	At 8 A.M.	8 A.M.	Noon.	8 P.M.	Wet Bulb at 8 A.M.	Maximum in 24 hours.	Minimum in 24 hours.	Maximum in 24 hours.		During 24 hours.
1	29.90 inch	77	77	77·5	76	90	72	141	1·45	·33
2	29.97 ,,	79	89	79	76	95	73	158	9·10	—
3	30.04 ,,	77	88	76·5	76	95	71·5	163	3·10	·14
4	30.33 ,,	76	86	73	75	93	72·5	147	·50	—
5	30.01 ,,	77·5	92	79	76	97	72	160	8·00	—
6	30.02 ,,	81	90	80	77	94·5	74	159	5·00	·10
7	29.98 ,,	78·5	84	75·5	77	85·5	73·5	127	·40	1·42
8	29.98 ,,	79	89	77·5	77	94·5	73·5	161	1·40	·13
9	30.01 ,,	78·5	88	76	76·5	94	73·5	156	5·00	—
10	30.00 ,,	78	82·5	75·5	75·5	86·5	71	138	1·15	—
11	30.00 ,,	78	93	77	76	96	72	159	4·50	—
12	30.02 ,,	81	89	76	77	97	72	160	4·55	·66
13	30.05 ,,	76	88·5	77·5	75	92	73	155	5·00	·16
14	30.05 ,,	78	87	75	76	94	73	158	2·10	·16
15	30.07 ,,	79	87·5	77	76·5	89	73	137	—	—
16	30.01 ,,	74	81	77·5	77	93·5	72·5	132	1·10	·08
17	30.04 ,,	78	87	77·5	76·5	95	72	164	5·40	—
18	30.04 ,,	83	90	77	77·5	95	73	162	9·15	·01
19	30.02 ,,	78	87.5	77.5	76	91·5	73	133	1·00	1·67
20	30.06 ,,	78	82	76	76·5	87	72·5	138	·40	·26
21	30.06 ,,	79	79	78	76	92	73	158	6·55	·02
22	30.02 ,,	81	92	77	78	96·5	72	144	3·00	1·81
23	30.01 ,,	76·5	91	80	75·5	92	72	141	6·10	—
24	30.01 ,,	81·5	88·5	78	78	93	70·5	161	6·55	—
25	29.98 ,,	83	91	78·5	74	98	76	154	8·00	—
26	30.00 ,,	81	81·5	80	78	96	73	147	3·50	·71
27	29.98 ,,	81	90·5	78	77·5	95	72	154	3·20	—
28	30.02 ,,	79	88·5	76·5	77	95·5	71	150	4·50	—
29	30.02 ,,	78	88	76·5	74	91·5	71	142	3·10	·02
30	30.00 ,,	78	91·5	78	75	90	75	144	·50	·80
31	29.99 ,,	81	91	76·5	77	97	73	148	7·15	—

Highest Barometric reading 30·07 inches.
Lowest ,, ,, 29·90 ,,
Highest temperature (shade) 98 degrees.
Lowest ,, ,, 70·5 ,,
Highest ,, Sun 164 ,,
Longest Period of Sunshine in one day 9 hrs. 15 mins.
Total rainfall (Museum) 9·98 inches.
Greatest rainfall in 24 hours 1·81 ,,
Height of Hospital above sea level, approximately 75 feet.

Rainfall, March, 1919.

During 24 Hours.

Date.	Bau.	The Vicarage, Kuching.	Matang, R'vior.	Lundu.	Dahan Estate.	Sibu.	Miri.	Bintulu.	S'matan.
	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.
1	·20	·42	·75	—	·79	—	1·43	—	—
2	—	—	—	—	·18	2·10	·30	·10	2·20
3	—	·21	·03	—	—	3·35	—	2·43	—
4	·07	·03	—	—	—	·04	·24	·42	—
5	—	—	—	1·02	—	—	—	·19	—
6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	·20	1·21	·98	—	·29	·49	—	—	—
8	·14	·13	·20	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	2·96	1·58	2·30	—	·09	2·61	—	1·95	—
10	—	·02	·18	—	2·75	·05	·32	1·30	—
11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	·35	·66	·20	—	·49	·17	—	2·13	—
13	1·20	·17	—	·65	2·26	·02	—	—	—
14	·07	·21	·16	—	—	·06	—	1·20	—
15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	—	·08	·94	2·47	—	—	—	—	1·20
17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	·07	·02	—	—	·22	·09	·18	—	—
19	·68	1·35	·72	—	—	·09	02	·29	—
20	·50	·28	·08	—	·41	·38	—	—	—
21	·31	·06	—	—	—	·10	—	·15	—
22	·65	1·18	·43	—	·17	·27	—	·20	1·60
23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	·15	—
24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	·60	—
26	—	·63	—	—	—	·02	—	·15	—
27	·90	—	—	—	·12	·16	—	—	—
28	·49	—	—	—	·27	·84	—	1·92	—
29	—	—	·10	—	·04	—	—	—	—
30	·70	1·40	·30	—	·33	·54	—	—	—
31	—	—	—	—	—	1·44	—	—	—
Total	10·39	9·64	7·37	4·14	8·41	12·28	3·03	13·18	5·00

THE SARAWAK STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

ISSUE OF 10,000 SHARES AT $100 EACH.

PROSPECTUS.

A **SYNDICATE** has been formed in Sarawak with the view of purchasing the fleet of Steamers, Wharf, Godowns, Goodwill, etc., of **The Sarawak and Singapore Steamship Company Limited.**

The Syndicate has obtained from that Company an option to purchase same for the sum of $1,050.000.

The option expires on 31st May 1919.

The Syndicate propose to form a new Company having similar objects to those of **The Sarawak and Singapore Steamship Company Limited** under the name of **"The Sarawak Steamship Company Limited."**

The new COMPANY will be registered as a LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY in Sarawak.

The Capital of **The Sarawak Steamship Company Limited** will be $1,100,000 divided into 10,000 Ordinary Shares of $100 each and $100,000 of Preference Shares.

The Preference Shares will be preferred as to repayment of Capital and cumulative as regards dividend. The interest on the Preference Shares will be at the rate of 6% per annum. The entire issue of Preference Shares will be taken up by the Sarawak Government.

If the Ordinary Shares are not fully subscribed for, the balance of unallotted Ordinary Shares will be issued as Preference Shares and such additional Preference Shares will be taken up by the Sarawak Government provided that the total value of Preference Shares to be taken by the Government does not exceed $350,000.

The Ordinary Shares will be allotted only to persons resident within the State of Sarawak, persons having *bonâ fide* professional or business interests in the State, or holders, at the date of this prospectus, of Land Grants within the State. Future transferees of shares must be similarly qualified at the date of transfer.

Transfers of Shares will be subject to the approval of the Directors whose decision shall be final.

The Sarawak Government will be represented on the Board of Directors.

All Shares allotted must be paid for in Cash, at such time as the Directors may decide.

The following gentlemen represent the Syndicate:—

Mr. Ong Tiang Swee of Ong Ewe Hai & Co.
Mr. Wee Cheng Hew of Chop Chin Chiang.
Mr. Lim Tee Chew of The Kwong Lee Bank.

The first Directors of the "Sarawak Steamship Co., Limited" will be:—

A Government Officer nominated by His Highness the Rajah,
Mr. Ong Tiang Swee — Mr. Lim Tee Chew
Mr. Wee Cheng Hew — and two others
Mr. Chan Kee Ong

Forms of application for Ordinary Shares can be obtained from the Company's Bankers, Kuching, and applications for shares may now be made either on the printed forms or on written forms in similar terms.

The List of applications closes on 30th April 1919 for Kuching District and 7th May for Outstations.

The Registered Office of the Company will be situated in Kuching.

KUCHING, SARAWAK, 15TH APRIL, 1919.

This Form to be signed and sent to the Company's Bankers, The Sarawak Chinese Banking Co., Ltd. or The Kwong Lee Bank.

THE SARAWAK STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To

The Directors
of The Sarawak Steamship Co., Ltd.

GENTLEMEN,

I hereby apply for.....shares of $100 each in the above named Company and request you will allot me that number of shares.

I hereby agree to accept the same, or any less number that you may allot to me, upon the terms of the "Prospectus" attached hereto and the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and I authorise you to place my name on the Register of Members of the Company in respect of the shares allotted to me.

I hereby declare that I am fully qualified to hold shares in the above Company according to the regulations laid down in the "Prospectus" of the Company.

Your Obedient Servant,

(Usual Signature).....
(Name in full).....
(Address in full).....

Kuching,.....1919.

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